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POLITICAL.

MPs receive Shs200m each for vehicles; government has started remitting Shs200 million to each of the 529 legislators and the 26 ex-officio members of the 11th Parliament, to enable them buy cars. The cash is part of the string of entitlements that legislators are entitled to throughout their five-year term. Story

ENERGY NEWS.

Kenya to gain from \$94m EU geothermal power fund; Kenya is among countries set to benefit from €80 million (\$94 million) funding from the European Union investment arm to increase geothermal power production. Story

NATIONAL;

410,000 beneficiaries have already received Covid relief cash; over Shs 41 billion of Shs 54 billion of Covid-19 relief cash has already been distributed to more the 410,000 beneficiaries, prime minister, Robinah Nabbanja has said. Tabling a list of beneficiaries before parliament on Wednesday, Nabbanja said the ministry of Finance released Shs 53.5 billion for distribution to at least 501,107 beneficiaries with each receiving Shs 100,000. Story

REGIONAL:

Rwanda tapped phones of top Ugandan officials; Rwanda reportedly wiretapped conversations of top Ugandan officials, according to revelations in the global reporting investigations, the Pegasus Project, published by the Organized Crime and Corruption Reporting Project. Story

BUSINESS:

Social media, internet shutdown cost telecoms Shs20b; the details are contained in the UCC Market Performance report in which the telecommunications sector during the first 2021 for the quarter ending March, registered a Shs20b fall in revenue compared to the 2020 fourth quarter. Story

SPORTS:

Tokyo Olympics opening ceremony director fired over old Holocaust skit; the show director for the Tokyo Olympics opening ceremony has been fired on the eve of the event over a decades-old skit referencing the Holocaust, in the latest blow for organisers of the pandemic-delayed Games. Story

AFRICA:

<u>Jailed Zuma to attend brother's funeral</u>; South Africa's jailed ex-president Jacob Zuma was granted compassionate leave from prison on Thursday so he can attend his brother's funeral, the government said. <u>Story</u>

And finally; Hoima pupil commits suicide over poor PLE results; a 15-year-old girl who sat her PLE at Bwikya Muslim Primary School in Hoima City in western Uganda last year has allegedly committed suicide after she reportedly performed poorly. Story

Today's scripture; 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

ESKOMorning quote; "I like the dreams of the future better than the history of the past." By- Thomas Jefferson

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